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### Organization and Equipment of the Regimental and Battalion Signal Units.

1. Prior to 5 August 1951, the regimental signal company of the 8th Hungarian Rifle Regt, commanded by Lieutenant Pál, (fnu), was organized into the headquarters, 2 telephone platoons, 1 radio platoon, 1 switchboard platoon and 1 messengers' platoon. Each telephone platoon consisted of 1 platoon leader, his deputy and 3 telephone squads and numbered 1 officer and 22 men. The 1st Platoon was commanded by Junior Lieutenant Tarlós, (fnu). The detailed organization of the radio platoon, commanded by Junior Lieutenant Szántó, (fnu), was not identified. [redacted] the radio platoon consisted of one squad operating the model R 7 radio station and five other squads equipped with model R/3 transmitters and receivers, and included one officer and about 30 men. The switchboard platoon was equipped with two model 39/41 H switchboards with 10 lines each. Two more model 51 switchboards with 10 lines each were allocated in July 1951. There was also a switchboard with 10 lines, which was constructed by the men themselves. The switchboard platoon numbered 16 to 18 men. The messengers' platoon, commanded by Junior Lieutenant Istvan Szabó, numbered one officer and 14 men, including two motorcycle messengers and five bicycle messengers. The men of the signal company wore blue service color with lightning cluster insignia.
2. The signal platoon of the 3d Bn, commanded by Junior Lieutenant Jozsef Fokete, with postal number 6201/00, was organized into 1 telephone squad, 1 radio squad and 1 switchboard squad. The telephone squad consisted of the squad leader, 1 man who carried the equipment, 2 so-called winders (wickler), 1 so-called stretcher (Spanner), 1 pole carrier and 1 construction soldier. The radio squad had six men and was equipped with a model R/? radio set. The switchboard squad had five men. They had no switchboard of their own, but were trained at the regimental signal company. The telephone and radio squads also included one motorcyclist each. According to the signal platoon leader, the authorized strength of the platoon was three telephone and three radio squads as well as one switchboard squad equipped with a switchboard with 10 lines. \*

[redacted] Comment. For circuit diagram of an infantry regiment's communications organization, see annex.

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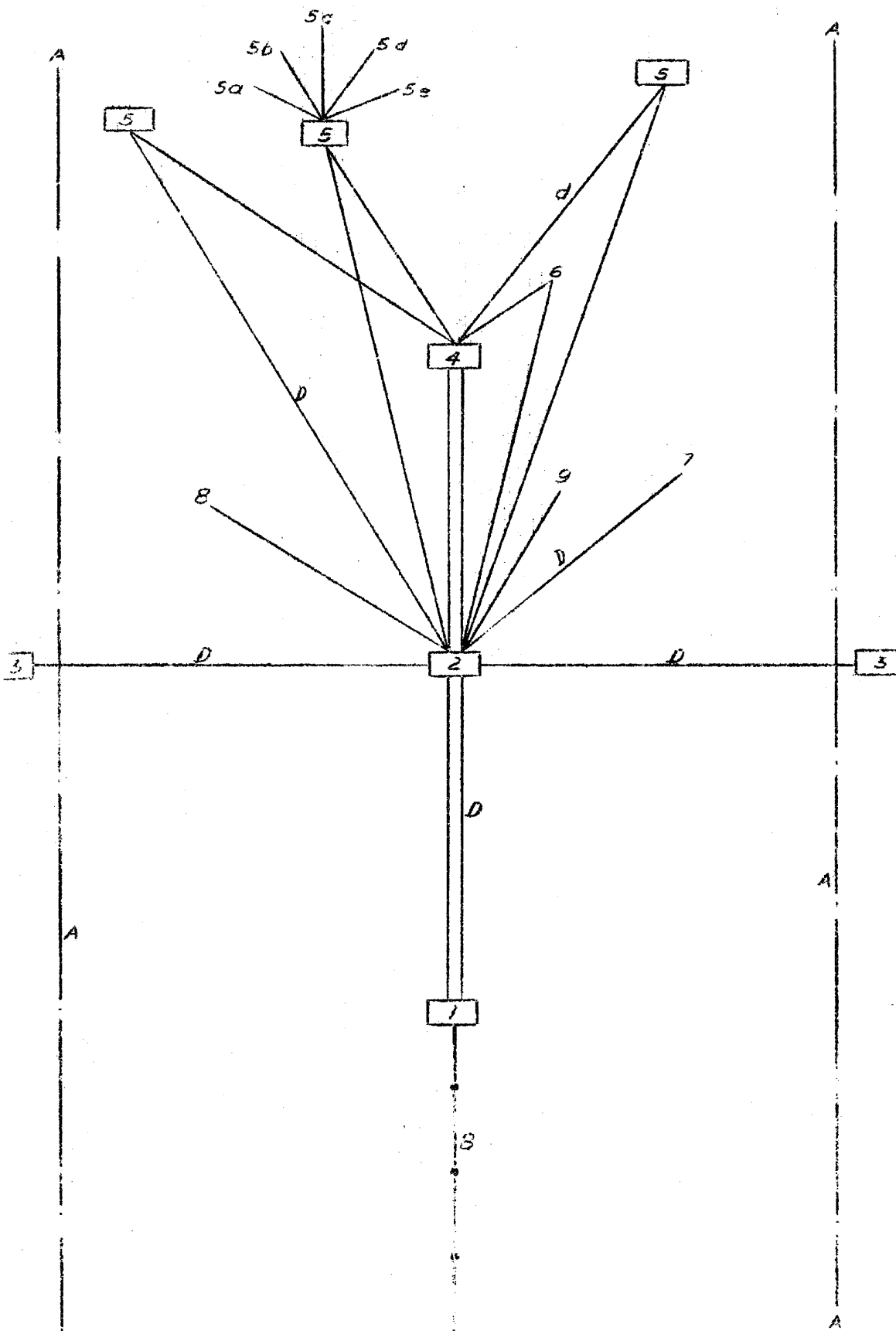
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A Boundaries of the regimental area.

B Heavy cable

D Light dual wire (twisted pair)

- 1 Rear switchboard
- 2 Main switchboard
- 3 Main switchboards of adjacent units
- 4 Switchboard of the observation post
- 5 Battalion switchboards
- 5a Battalion command post
- 5b through 5d Company command posts
- 5e Mortar company command post
- 6 Regimental command post
- 7 Tank battalion command post
- 8 Command post of the regimental artillery commander
- 9 Command post of the regimental mortar battery.

When employed in combined operations under a higher headquarters, a regiment must establish communication with the main switchboard of its left adjacent unit.

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